OLR Bill Analysis sSB 330

AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF REGENTS.

SUMMARY:

This bill conforms law to current practice by requiring the Board of Regents for Higher Education (BOR) to appoint two vice presidents upon the BOR president's recommendation, one for the Connecticut State University System (CSUS) and one for the regional community-technical colleges (CTC). Under current law, BOR must appoint a vice president for each constituent unit of higher education (UConn, CSUS, CTC, and Charter Oak State College). By law, the vice presidents' duties include overseeing academic programs, student support services, and institutional support.

The bill also eliminates statutory references to the Board for State Academic Awards (BSAA) and replaces them with references to BOR or Charter Oak State College, as appropriate. For example, it renames the Board of State Academic Awards Operating Fund as the Board of Regents for Higher Education for Charter Oak State College Operating Fund.

BSAA was formerly a nine-member board that governed Charter Oak State College. A 2011 law transferred BSAA's powers and duties to BOR but retained statutory references to BSAA (PA 11-48). Thus BOR, acting as BSAA, has governed Charter Oak since January 1, 2012.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2014

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Yea 18 Nay 0 (03/13/2014)